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Sir:

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 23, 2004 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is submitted in response to the April 23, 2004 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the April 23, 2004 Office Action was originally due July 23, 2004. Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time. The fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is four hundred and ninety dollars (\$490.00) and a check for that amount is enclosed. With a three-month extension of time, a response to the April 23, 2004 Office Action is due October 23, 2004. However, since October 23, 2004 falls on a Saturday, a response filed Monday, October 25, 2004 is to be considered timely. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

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